CONSENT AGENDA

FOR THE MEETING OF ST. LOUIS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

August 2, 2022

Commissioner Board Room, Room 200, St. Louis County Courthouse, Duluth, MN

All matters listed under the consent agenda are considered routine and/or noncontroversial and will be enacted by one unanimous motion. If a commissioner requests or a citizen wishes to speak on an item on the consent agenda, it will be removed and handled separately.

RESOLUTIONS FOR APPROVAL:

Minutes for July 26, 2022.

Public Works & Transportation Committee - Commissioner Musolf, Chair

- 1. Authorize an agreement with Minnesota Department of Transportation to accept Local Bridge Replacement Program Grant funds in the amount of \$104,955.09 for the reconstruction of State Bridge 7759/County Bridge 500 located on County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 101 in Mountain Iron (SP 069-701-007). [22-329]
- 2. Authorize a professional services agreement with Alliant Engineering, Inc., Minneapolis, MN, in the amount of \$229,000 for design engineering services for reduced conflict intersections (J-turns) at the intersections of US 169 at CSAH 25 in Great Scott Township (CP 069-070-067, CP 0025-590637) and US 169 at CSAH 103 in Mountain Iron (CP 069-070-073, CP 0103-677359). [22-330R]

Finance & Budget Committee – Commissioner Nelson, Chair

- 3. Accept a County Veterans Service Office Operational Enhancement Grant in the amount of \$17,500 from the Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs for the grant period July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023. [22-331]
- 4. Authorize waiver of tipping fees for flood-related waste at the Kabetogama, Ash River Trail and Portage Canister Sites for the week of July 25, 2022, through July 31, 2022, with the option of an additional one-week extension. [22-332]
- 5. Quote from Siemens Industry, Inc., Duluth, MN, in the amount of \$352,634 for standardized fire alarm system equipment, installation, documentation, and staff training at the St. Louis County Heritage & Arts Center (the Depot). [22-338]
- 6. Agreement authorized with Northeast Technical Services, Inc., Virginia, MN, in the amount of \$468,322 to provide environmental engineering, hydrogeologic evaluation, landfill permit major modification application preparation, and related project management services for the new and upgraded Regional Landfill Leachate Treatment System Project funded by 2021-2024 American Rescue Plan Act funds. [22-339]

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- 7. Claims and accounts for June 2022.
- 8. Application for Special Event Liquor License to temporarily expand the designated sale/service area of the County On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License by Dawghouse Bar & Grill, LLC dba Dawghouse Bar & Grill, Northland Township, for August 26-28, 2022.

Public Safety & Corrections Committee - Commissioner Grimm, Chair

- 9. Authorize application and acceptance of the 2023 DWI Officer Grant in the amount of \$92,586.33 and the additional hiring of 1.0 FTE Deputy Sheriff position, which will be eliminated upon completion of the 2023 DWI Office Grant if no other funding source is identified. [22-333]
- 10. Agreement authorized with St. Luke's Hospital of Duluth, MN, to provide medical services at the St. Louis County Jail facilities during the initial period of November 1, 2022, through December 31, 2028, with two (2) optional two-year extensions, for the estimated amounts of \$1,715,000 for the first year and \$2,054,850 effective January 1, 2024, with 3% annual increases effective January 1 of each year. [22-340]

Environment & Natural Resources Committee - Commissioner Jugovich, Chair

- 11. Application for repurchase of state tax-forfeited land (homestead) by Matthew Caya, Duluth, MN (parcel code 010-1140-00150). [22-335]
- 12. Reclassify certain state tax-forfeited lands as non-conservation and notify the clerk of the town or municipality of the proposed reclassification. [22-336]
- 13. Special sale of state tax-forfeited land described as Lots 5 and 6, Block 13, Clinton Place Addition to Duluth (parcel code 010-0580-02100) to the Housing and Redevelopment Authority of Duluth, MN, to be used for affordable housing upon total payment of \$2,936.05 and may be offered for sale at public auction if the Housing and Redevelopment Authority of Duluth, MN, does not purchase the land by February 2, 2023. [22-337]
- 14. Approve the value determined for the state tax-forfeited (Class 2) lands and state owned (Class 1) lands involved in the Department of Natural Resources Forestry land exchange and approve the expedited land exchange. [22-341]

Official Proceedings of the County Board of Commissioners

BY COMMISSIONER

RESOLVED, That the official proceedings of the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners for the meeting of July 26, 2022, are hereby approved.

LBRP Grant Agreement to Accept Bridge Bond Funds for SP 069-701-007

BY COMMISSIONER		

WHEREAS, The County has programmed the reconstruction of State Bridge 7759 (County Bridge 500) to be completed in year 2022; and

WHEREAS, The County has applied to the Commissioner of Transportation for a grant from the Minnesota State Transportation Fund (Bridge Bonds) for reconstruction of State Bridge 7759 (County Bridge 500); and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner of Transportation has given notice that funding for this project is available; and

WHEREAS, The amount of the grant has been determined to be \$104,955.09 by reason of the lowest responsible bid and shall be deposited into Fund 220, Agency 220706, Object 530401; and

WHEREAS, The construction low bid came in at \$676,771.71 and will be funded by a combination of the following funds:

- Local Bridge Replacement Program (LBRP, Bridge Bonds) Funds (\$104,955.09),
- ➤ 2022 Federal Bridge Off-System (2022 BROS) Funds (\$541,417.37),
- Municipal State Aid Funds (\$30,399.25); and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County will pay any part of the cost or expense of the work that exceeds the bid.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That St. Louis County Board does hereby agree to the terms and conditions of the grant consistent with Minn. Stat. §174.50 and will pay any additional amount by which the cost exceeds the estimate and will return to the Minnesota State Transportation Fund any amount appropriated for the project but not required.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes LBRP Grant agreement (MnDOT Agreement No. 1050051), and any amendments authorized by the Commissioner of Transportation, receipted to the following funds:

- ➤ Local Bridge Replacement Program (LBRP, Bridge Bonds) Funds Fund 220, Agency 220706, Object 530401,
- Federal Bridge Off-System (2022 BROS) Funds Fund 220, Agency 220706 Object 540702, and
- Municipal State Aid Funds Fund 220, Agency 220706, Object 521605.

Professional Services Agreement with Alliant Engineering, Inc. for Design Engineering Services for SP 069-070-067, CP 0025-590637, SP 069-070-073 and CP 0103-677359

BY COMMISSIONER	
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WHEREAS, The County Road Safety Plan (CRSP) ranked the intersections of US 169 at County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 25 (Highway 25) and US 169 at CSAH 103 (Mud Lake Road)/CSAH 109 (Nichols Avenue) in the top 4% of intersections by risk; and

WHEREAS, For the intersection of US 169 at CSAH 25, the observed fatal and serious injury crash rate was statistically greater than the statewide average for similar intersections; and

WHEREAS, For the intersection of US 169 at CSAH 103 (Mud Lake Road)/CSAH 109 (Nichols Ave), the observed crash rate was statistically greater than the statewide average for similar intersections; and

WHEREAS, The CRSP recommends a reduced conflict intersection be constructed at both intersections; and

WHEREAS, The Minnesota experience has shown that reduced conflict intersections have eliminated (100% reduction) fatal and serious injury right-angle crashes which supports the Minnesota Towards Zero Deaths vision; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County and the Minnesota Department of Transportation were awarded federal funding through the Highway Safety Improvement Program to construct reduced conflict intersections at both intersections; and

WHEREAS, The Public Works Department selected Alliant Engineering, Inc., to provide design engineering services.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes a professional services agreement with Alliant Engineering, Inc., in the amount of \$229,000, for design engineering services for reduced conflict intersections located at US 169 at CSAH 25 in Great Scott Township and US 169 at CSAH 103/CSAH 109 in the City of Mountain Iron (SP 069-070-067, CP 0025-590637 for US 169 at CSAH 25, and SP 069-070-073, CP 0103-677359 for US 169 at CSAH 103/CSAH 109) with funds payable from Fund 220, Agencies 220648 (SP 069-070-067) and 220452 (SP 069-070-073), Object 626600.

Acceptance of County Veterans Service Office Operational Enhancement Grant

BY COMMISSIONER	<u> </u>	
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WHEREAS, During the 2013 Legislative Session, the structure of the County Veterans Service Office Operational Enhancement Grant program was modified and state funding increased to provide an annual base grant to all 87 Minnesota counties in the amount of \$7,500, plus an additional allocation based on each counties' veterans population to be used for the purpose of enhancing the benefits programs and services provided to Minnesota veterans; and

WHEREAS, On July 1, 2022, St. Louis County received notice from the Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs (MDVA) that the County Veterans Office Operational Enhancement Grant was allocated in the amount of a \$7,500 base grant and an additional \$10,000 based upon the estimated veterans population residing in the county; and

WHEREAS, Counties have until June 30, 2023, to spend the allocated money on qualified items, and by that date the funds must be spent, documentation of the qualified expenditures received by the MDVA, and any unused funds returned; and

WHEREAS, In order to access the grant funding, a certified County Board Resolution and signed Grant Contract must be received by the Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs (MDVA).

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the appropriate county officials to enter into a grant contract with the Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs to accept the County Veterans Service Office Operational Enhancement Grant, in the amount of \$17,500.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the grant must be used to provide outreach to the county's veterans; assist in the reintegration of combat veterans into society; to collaborate with other social service agencies, educational institutions, and other community organizations for the purposes if enhancing services offered to veterans; to reduce homelessness among veterans; and to enhance the operations of the County Veterans Service Office, as specified in Minn. Stat. § 197.608 and Minnesota Laws 2021, 1st Special Session, Chapter12, Article 1, Section 37, Subd. 2., and that this Grant should not be used to supplant or replace other funding.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Veterans Service Office 2022 adopted budget is amended to include receipt of \$17,500 from the MNDVA, with funds deposited into Fund 100, Agency 124999, Grant 12403, Year 2022.

Temporary July 2022 Flood Relief Program

BY COMMISSIONER	

WHEREAS, Significant rains during the Spring of 2022 have created emergency conditions involving flooding and related damages to private and public infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County, through its Environmental Services Department, operates a network of waste collection sites including sites in the flood affected area; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County can assist residents currently challenged with responding to flood impacts.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the waiver of tipping fees for flood-related waste at its Kabetogama, Ash River Trail, and Portage Canister Sites for the week of July 25, 2022, through July 31, 2022, with the option of an additional one-week extension at the discretion of the Director.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Environmental Services Department is directed to take other steps as needed to ensure that residents are provided an opportunity to properly manage other flood-related wastes.

St. Louis County Heritage & Arts Center (Depot) Fire Alarm System Improvements

BY COMMISSIONER _		
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WHEREAS, The St Louis County Heritage & Arts Center (Depot) needs significant capital repairs; and

WHEREAS, State of Minnesota bond funding of \$1.5 million was received in the November 2020 legislative special session for Depot capital improvements; and

WHEREAS, The County is proceeding with prioritized Depot repairs and improvements utilizing the 2020 State bonding funds; and

WHEREAS, The existing Simplex fire alarm system at the Depot is obsolete and replacement parts are increasingly difficult to obtain and a new central control panel, smoke/heat detectors, duct detectors for air handling units, notification speaker strobes and lights-only strobes will be installed at prescribed locations within the building per code requirements; and

WHEREAS, Planned improvements will provide state-of-the-art fire safety protection for staff, tenants and visitors to the Depot; and

WHEREAS, Siemens Industry, Inc., of Duluth, MN, provided a fixed price quote for \$352,634 for standardized fire alarm system equipment, installation, documentation, and staff training meeting county requirements.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the quote from Siemens Industry, Inc., of Duluth, MN, for \$352,634 for the Depot fire alarm system improvements and authorizes the appropriate County officials to enter into and execute any funding agreement(s) and associated documents as necessary with funds available from Fund 400, Agency 400024 to be reimbursed by state bond fund proceeds approved in the November 2020 legislative session.

Regional Landfill Leachate Treatment System Project Environmental Engineering and Permit Major Modification Assistance Agreement, American Rescue Plan Act Funds

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WHEREAS, Upgrades to the existing St. Louis County Regional Landfill (Landfill) leachate treatment system are required to meet new regulated parametric loading and groundwater permit standards; and

WHEREAS, The Landfill is the only mixed municipal solid waste "MSW" landfill in northeastern Minnesota, providing MSW disposal to the County's Solid Waste Management Area; and

WHEREAS, Landfill capacity is projected to last another twenty-five years, based on current fill rates, and potentially an additional fifty years based on Landfill expansion options currently being evaluated; and

WHEREAS, The Landfill's Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA)-issued permit requires landfill leachate be collected, pumped and stored in two High Density Polyethylene (HOPE) lined ponds where it is aerated, de-nitrified and land applied on a 60-acre sprayfield; and

WHEREAS, The MPCA has recently identified Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) as one of its emerging water contaminants of concern resulting in landfill leachate coming under increased scrutiny and management requirements; and

WHEREAS, The County conducted an assessment to meet recent and anticipated MPCA leachate management requirements for PFAS and other contaminants of concern, and concluded it will be more cost effective to construct a new system versus the retrofit of the existing system; and

WHEREAS, US Treasury guidance has identified clean water and landfill improvements to provide clean water as an eligible use of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds; and

WHEREAS, The County Board adopted Resolution No. 21-642 on November 16, 2021, to invest and distribute up to \$10 million in ARPA funds to support clean water and authorize the pre-design, design, land acquisition and construction of new and upgraded leachate treatment systems within the County's solid waste management area; and

WHEREAS, The Department, under Minn. Stat. § 400, Subd. 4, which grants the county authority to negotiate and sole source for solid waste-related services, requested and received a detailed proposal from Northeast Technical Services, Inc., to provide environmental engineering, hydrogeologic evaluation, landfill permit major modification application preparation, and related project management services for the new and upgraded Regional Landfill Leachate Treatment System Project funded by 2021-2024 ARPA funds; and

WHEREAS, The Department has evaluated the proposal finds it fair and justified.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the appropriate county officials to enter into an agreement with Northeast Technical Services, Inc., of Virginia, MN, ending December 31, 2024, for \$468,322 to provide environmental engineering, hydrogeologic evaluation, landfill permit major modification application preparation, and related project management services for the new and upgraded Regional Landfill Leachate Treatment System Project funded by 2021-2024 American Rescue Plan Act funds payable from Fund 239, Agency 239200.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That if necessary, Northeast Technical Services, Inc., shall comply and submit all necessary information, documentation and reporting materials required by the County, State or US Treasury to ensure that the project meets any and all conditions as required under the American Rescue Plan Act.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the appropriate county officials to enter into and execute any funding agreement(s) and associated documents with Northeast Technical Services, Inc., as necessary to administer the program and comply with the American Rescue Plan Act.

Claims and Accounts for June 2022

RESOLVED, That the recommendations of the Finance Committee for payment of claims and bills against the County of St. Louis, on file in the office of the County Auditor, identified as County Board File No. 61626, are hereby approved and the County Auditor shall issue checks in the following amounts:

100	General Fund	7,188,851.10
149	Personal Service Fund	2,587.75
155	Depot	80,436.74
160	MN Trail Assistance	33,179.37
168	Sheriff's State Forfeitures	400.00
169	Attorney Trust Accounts – VW	1,560.27
170	Boundary Waters – Forfeiture	1,303.93
173	Emergency Shelter Grant	9,170.63
176	Revolving Loan Fund	65.97
178	Economic Development – Tax Forfeit	918,307.29
179	Enhanced 9-1-1	35,280.00
180	Law Library	18,474.37
183	City/County Communications	315.76
184	Extension Service	62,077.16
192	Permit to Carry	4,633.75
200	Public Works	3,622,514.40
204	Local Option Transit Sales Tax	888,030.88
215	Ditching	8,625.00
220	State/Federal Road Aid	3,546,404.61
230	Public Health & Human Services	8,604,714.96
238	HHS Conference	20,720.00
239	Pandemic Response Fund	63,066.70
240	Forfeited Tax	431,480.26
260	CDBG Grant	152,023.15
270	HOME Grant	101,150.00
281	SLC Septic Loans	300.00
289	ISTS Grant	60,818.31
290	Forest Resources	24,535.64
320	2014A ARC Capital Improve Bond	48,459.38
324	2015B – refunding 316-2008B	28,125.00
325	2015C – Capital Improve Bond	442,828.13
326	2015A – Capital Improve Bond	272,893.75
327	2016B – Refunding 318-2013A	229,375.01
328	2018A – Capital Improve Bond	483,665.63
329	2018B – Capital Improve Bond	273,925.00

330	2020A - TST Capital Improve Bond	228,068.76
331	2020B Refunding 2013D & 2014A	43,653.75
332	2021A – Capital Improvement	340,526.87
400	County Facilities	56,867.90
402	Depreciation Reserve Fund	1,695.00
403	Emergency Repairs	106.03
405	Public Works Building Const.	3,593.40
407	Public Works – Equipment	679,313.75
449	2020A – TST Bond	71,489.36
450	2021A – Capital Improvement	188,750.00
600	Environmental Services	1,107,188.80
715	County Garage	65,663.12
720	Property Casualty Liability	9,871.09
730	Workers Compensation	336,933.13
740	Medical Dental Insurance	3,420,681.90
770	Retired Employees Health Ins.	<u>1,471.10</u>
		\$34,216,173.86
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Application for Special Event Liquor License to Temporarily Expand the Designated Sale/Service Area of the County On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License (Northland Township)

BY COMMISSIONER	
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RESOLVED, That pursuant to Ordinance No. 28, Section 11, Subdivision 11.06, authorization is hereby granted to Dawghouse Bar & Grill, LLC dba Dawghouse Bar & Grill, Northland Township, to sell/serve outside the designated serving area of the County Liquor License for the dates of August 26-28, 2022, as per application on file in the office of the County Auditor, identified as County Board File No. 61636.

Application and Acceptance of the 2023 DWI Officer Grant and Addition of 1.0 Deputy Sheriff FTE

BY COMMISSIONER .	
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WHEREAS, The Minnesota Department of Public Safety Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) has a mandate to promote the safety of those who use public roadways; and

WHEREAS, Federal guidelines require this money be spent on projects designed to reduce DWI incidents; and

WHEREAS, The DWI officer will work the required peak nights and times when drinking and driving occurs; and

WHEREAS, The DWI Officer Grant requires the addition of a 1.0 Deputy Sheriff FTE that will be eliminated at the end of the grant period.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the application and acceptance of the 2023 DWI Officer Grant in the amount of \$92,586.33 as well as the additional hiring of 1.0 Deputy Sheriff FTE position to be accounted for in Fund 100, Agency 129999, Grant 12954, Year 2023.

RESOLVED FURTHER, The grant funded position will be eliminated upon completion of the 2023 DWI Officer Grant if no other funding source is identified.

Contract with St. Luke's Hospital to Provide Inmate Medical Services for the Sheriff's Office Jail Division

BY COMMISSIONER	 	

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Jail identified a need to re-evaluate its medical provider and options associated with providing inmate medical services; and

WHEREAS, Jail Administration, in close partnership with Purchasing and the Attorney's Office, developed and successfully solicited Request for Proposals (RFP) No. 5811 seeking inmate medical services; and

WHEREAS, The four proposals received were read and evaluated by an evaluation team comprised of diverse professional backgrounds and experience, resulting in interviews for the three top scoring responders on Friday, June 3, 2022; and

WHEREAS, Careful consideration of all evaluating factors including the ability of each provider's ability to provide all contract requirements as outlined in the scope of work requirements, without interruptions or delays, and capability to meet the public needs associated with correctional care, the evaluation committee unanimously agreed to recommend St. Luke's Hospital of Duluth, MN, for contract award.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes an agreement with St. Luke's Hospital of Duluth, MN, to provide medical services including but not limited to risk assessment, urgent care services and limited diagnostic services for inmates located within St. Louis County jail facilities, for an initial contract term of November 1, 2022, through December 31, 2028, with the option to extend for two (2) additional two-year terms.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That estimated compensation and fees for 16/7 services provided the first year of service this contract \$1,715,000 payable from Fund 100, Agency 137002, Object 626400.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That medical services provided under this contract will transition from the 16/7 RN Model to the 24/7 RN Model effective January 1, 2024, resulting in estimated compensation and fees of \$2,054,850, with 3% annual increases effective January 1 of each year, payable from Fund 100, Agency 137002, Object 626400.

Repurchase of State Tax-Forfeited Land – Caya (Homestead)

BY COMMISSIONER:	

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.241 provides that state tax-forfeited land may be repurchased by the previous owner subject to payment of delinquent taxes and assessments, with penalties, interest, and maintenance costs; and

WHEREAS, The applicant, Matthew Paul Caya of Duluth, Minnesota, has applied to repurchase state tax-forfeited land legally described as:

Legal: Northerly 35 feet of Lot 304, Block 71, DULUTH PROPER SECOND DIVISION

Parcel ID No: 010-1140-00150

LDKey: 125328; and

WHEREAS, The applicant was the owner of record at the time of forfeiture and is eligible to repurchase the property; and

WHEREAS, Resolution of any outstanding county or municipal code violations will become a condition of the repurchase; and

WHEREAS, The applicant shall either (a) pay in full all amounts due and owing under Minn. Stat. § 282.241; or (b) enter into a ten-year contract for deed, satisfying same, to repurchase the homestead property; and

WHEREAS, Approving the repurchase will promote the use of lands that will best serve the public interest.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the repurchase application by Matthew Paul Caya of Duluth, MN, on file in County Board File No. 61662, subject to payments including: total taxes and assessments of \$5,895.80, deed fee of \$25, deed tax of \$19.46, recording fee of \$46, and unlawful detainer action fee of \$305, for a total of \$6,291.26 to be deposited into Fund 240 (Tax-Forfeited Land Fund); plus a service fee of \$500 to be deposited into Fund 100 (General Fund); and further subject to any other conditions discussed herein.

Reclassification of State Tax-Forfeited Lands to Non-Conservation

BY COMMISSIONER
WHEREAS, All parcels of land becoming the property of the State of Minnesota in Trust through forfeiture for nonpayment of real estate taxes shall be classified or reclassified as conservation or non-conservation as required by Minn. Stat. § 282.01, subd. 1; and
WHEREAS, The parcels described in in County Board File No forfeited to the State of Minnesota for nonpayment of real estate taxes and were previously classified as conservation; and
WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Land and Minerals Department has recommended that the parcels be reclassified as non-conservation after considering, among other things, the present use of adjacent lands, the productivity of the soil, the character of forest or other growth, accessibility of lands to established roads, schools, utilities and other public services, and their peculiar suitability or desirability for particular uses; and
WHEREAS, To the extent these parcels of land are located inside the boundaries of a municipality or town, Minn. Stat. § 282.01 provides that classification or reclassification and sale of such lands must be approved by the governing body of the municipality or town; and
WHEREAS, The town or municipality is considered to have approved the reclassification and sale of these parcels unless, within 60 days of the date the request for approval was transmitted to the town or municipality, the county board is notified of the town or municipality's disapproval of the proposed reclassification.
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the state tax-forfeited parcels described in County Board File No shall be reclassified as non-conservation, and the request for approval of the reclassification shall be transmitted by the St. Louis County Land and Minerals Department to the clerk of the municipality or town in which the parcels are located.
RESOLVED FURTHER, That the reclassification of these parcels will be deemed approved if the county board does not receive notice of the municipality's or town's

disapproval of the reclassification of any parcel within 60 days of the date on which this

resolution is delivered to the clerk of the municipality or town.

Special Sale to the Housing and Redevelopment Authority of Duluth, Minnesota (Parcel Code: 010-0580-02100)

WHEREAS, The Housing and Redevelopment Authority of Duluth, Minnesota, has requested to purchase the following described state tax-forfeited land for the price of \$2,780, plus fees:

Legal: Lots 5 and 6, Block 13, CLINTON PLACE ADDITION TO DULUTH

Parcel ID No: 010-0580-02100

LDKey: 123592; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.01, subd. 1a(d), allows for non-conservation taxforfeited land to be sold to a governmental subdivision for less than market value if a reduced price will provide incentive to correct blighted conditions or will lead to the development of affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, This parcel of land has been classified as non-conservation land pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 282.01; and

WHEREAS, This parcel of land has not been withdrawn from sale pursuant to Minn. Stat. §§ 85.012, 92.461, 282.01, Subd. 8; and 282.018, and other statutes that require the withholding of state tax-forfeited lands from sale.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the sale of state tax-forfeited land, as described, to the Housing and Redevelopment Authority of Duluth, MN, for the price of \$2,780 plus the following fees: 3% assurance fee of \$83.40, deed fee of \$25, deed tax of \$1.65, and recording fee of \$46, for a total of \$2,936.05, to be deposited into Fund 240 (Tax-Forfeited Land Fund).

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Auditor may offer for sale at public auction the state tax-forfeited land described here if the Housing and Redevelopment Authority of Duluth, Minnesota does not purchase the land by February 2, 2023.

Proposed Land Exchange Between St. Louis County and the State of Minnesota

COMMISSIONER_	

WHEREAS, The Land and Minerals Department has been working with the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) on two land exchanges: one with DNR Forestry and the other with DNR Fisheries in accordance with the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources' Strategic Land Asset Management Program (SLAM); and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County Board Resolution No. 17-196 supported the proposed exchange of state tax-forfeited lands for lands of equal value owned by the State of Minnesota and authorized the Land and Minerals Department to proceed with the valuation of all lands involved in the proposed land exchange using county assessed values for similar land types from the St. Louis County Assessor; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 94.3495 and St. Louis County Board Resolution No. 17-196, the lands involved in the DNR Forestry exchange have been equalized as to value using county assessed values for similar land types from the St. Louis County Assessor; and

WHEREAS, The DNR Forestry land exchange would convey approximately 6,736 acres of state tax-forfeited (Class 2) land valued at \$4,312,180.00 for approximately 6,140 acres of state owned (Class 1) land valued at \$4,304,192.00.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the value of \$4,312,180.00 determined for approximately 6,736 acres of state tax-forfeited (Class 2) lands involved in the St. Louis County and State of Minnesota Department of Natural Resources Forestry land exchange as listed in County Board File No. ______.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board recommends approval of an expedited exchange of lands described in County Board File No. _____ by the State Land Exchange Board in accordance with the provisions in Minn. Stat. § 94.3495, and subject to verification of marketable title of the lands involved.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the Land and Minerals Department to make minor changes to the proposed land exchange, if necessary, including realigning certain parcels upon final title review and modifying legal descriptions, acreages, and land values for the purpose of correcting errors and ensuring accuracy.

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS, MINNESOTA, HELD ON JULY 26, 2022

The Board of County Commissioners of the County of St. Louis, Minnesota, met this 26th day of July 2022, at 9:31 a.m., at the Rice Lake City Hall, Rice Lake, Minnesota, with the following members present: Commissioners Ashley Grimm, Keith Musolf, Keith Nelson, Mike Jugovich, and Vice-Chair Patrick Boyle - 5. Absent: Commissioner Frank Jewell and Chair Paul McDonald - 2.

Vice-Chair Boyle asked for a moment of silence in remembrance of all victims of violence, foreign and domestic; followed by the pledge of allegiance.

City of Rice Lake Clerk Toni Blomdahl said that the city received a \$500,000 broadband grant from St. Louis County and thanked the county for their support regarding development of the Rice Lake commercial corridor project.

Vice-Chair Boyle opened the meeting to persons who wish to address the Board concerning issues not on the agenda. Melissa Bell, of Fredenberg, said that she spoke at a June Board meeting about an invalid Conditional Use Permit (CUP) that was issued to 6464 Fredenberg Lake Road and has not received any correspondence from the county regarding the invalid CUP. Ms. Bell commented that there are three gravel pits in the township that are operating with expired permits. In addition, Ms. Bell expressed concern that the Planning Commission has been deceived because the inspection box was checked on a recent application for a gravel pit; however, a site visit was conducted, not a site inspection. Deb Pawlowitz, Fredenberg Township Supervisor, inquired as to when inspection of gravel pits would take place in Fredenberg.

At 9:40 a.m., a public hearing was conducted, pursuant to Resolution No. 22-362, adopted June 28, 2022, to hear the cartway petition of Michael Clement. St. Louis County Assistant Attorney Chris Pinkert reviewed requirements of a cartway and provided the Board with background information regarding the Clement cartway petition. Attorney Pinkert noted that state statute requires that the Board establish a cartway if legal requirements are met; the petitioner is responsible for all expenses. Eric Fallstrom, Principal Engineer St. Louis County, reviewed alignments for consideration and said that St. Louis County is looking for the alignment that is least damaging and least disruptive to affected parcels. Kelly Klum, Attorney for Michael Clement, commented that the proposed route follows an existing trail, and that Mr. Clement needs access to his property to avoid neighbor and trespassing issues. Vice-Chair Boyle asked if there were any governmental entities who wished to speak regarding the proposed action; no governmental entities requested the opportunity to speak. Michael Clement, of Duluth, said that he has tried to work out an agreement for access; however, his neighbors have been unwilling to work with him. Mr. Clement commented that he was told he could use the Northland Constructors route; however, someone installed posts to block access. When he tried removing the posts, he was told he was trespassing, so he stopped. Duane Salo, of Eveleth, said that Mr. Clement has no regard for the rights of adjoining property owners and his trespassing actions have resulted in law enforcement being called. Given the history of trespassing by Mr. Clement, Mr. Salo asked that the cartway route be clearly marked. Nicole Steele, of Makinen, said that the proposed cartway is a safety issue and Mr. Clement has repeatedly harassed her family and has trespassed on her property. Ms. Steele commented that they have an agreement in place to purchase the Bouley property and currently have permission to use the Bouley property for their livestock. Ms. Steele said that Mr. Clement and his tenant drive through the field endangering the

livestock and their children, and the proposed route would cut through the center of the pasture. Jim McKeever, of Makinen, said that the southern route is not a viable option because of the wetland area. Vice-Chair Boyle asked if there were any other citizens who wished to speak regarding the proposed action; no one requested the opportunity to speak. At 10:16 a.m., Commissioner Nelson, supported by Commissioner Grimm, moved to close the public hearing. The motion passed; five yeas, zero nays, two absent (Jewell, McDonald).

Commissioner Nelson, supported by Commissioner Grimm, moved that the St. Louis County Board hereby determines the alignment of the requested cartway is as set forth in Exhibit B; that the St. Louis County Board hereby authorizes appropriate County employees and officials to enter into agreements causing a survey of the cartway alignment to be completed. Upon completion of the aforementioned survey, the Board authorizes appropriate County officials to enter into and execute any agreement(s) and associated documents causing appraisals of the relevant parcels to be completed. Upon receipt of the completed survey and appraisals, a public hearing regarding damages and costs associated with establishment of this cartway will be scheduled. Commissioner Nelson commented that he is not ready to act on the cartway because he wants to ensure that the county does not create a community problem and requested additional time so the county can review options near the Reitmajer property. St. Louis County Public Works Director Jim Foldesi commented that the when the county reviews cartways, they recommend routes that minimize environmental, social, and economic impact; however, the Board has the authority to make a different recommendation. To allow for time for the county to explore additional options, County Attorney Kim Maki recommended that the Board re-open the public hearing and schedule a continuation of the hearing to a later date. Commissioner Nelson and Commissioner Grimm withdrew their motion. At 10:29 a.m., Commissioner Nelson, supported by Commissioner Jugovich, moved to re-open the public hearing. The motion passed; five yeas, zero nays, two absent (Jewell, McDonald). Commissioner Nelson, supported by Commissioner Jugovich, moved to continue the public hearing to the October 4, 2022, Board meeting. The motion passed; five yeas, zero nays, two absent (Jewell, McDonald).

A point of personal privilege was taken at 10:34 a.m. At 10:43 a.m., the Board reconvened with all members present except Commissioner Jewell and Chair McDonald.

At 10:43 a.m., a public hearing was conducted, pursuant to Resolution No. 22-392, adopted July 12, 2022, to consider the issuance of an Off-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License to Kabetogama Outdoor Sports, LLC dba Kab Outdoors, Unorganized Township 56-16. St. Louis County Attorney Kim Maki gave the initial presentation and submitted a packet that included documentation of required notices, minutes from the Liquor Licensing Committee meeting, proof of paid property taxes, and required documents for the license to the Clerk of the County Board. Commissioner Nelson asked Lonnie Brent, of Kabetogama Outdoor Sports, LLC, if he had read all liquor license requirements and if he will abide by them; the applicant responded yes. Vice-Chair Boyle asked if there were any governmental entities, supporters or opponents, or citizens who wished to speak regarding the proposed action; no one requested the opportunity to speak. At 10:47 a.m., Commissioner Nelson, supported by Commissioner Jugovich, moved to close the public hearing. The motion passed; five yeas, zero nays, two absent (Jewell, McDonald).

Commissioner Nelson, supported by Commissioner Musolf, moved that an Off-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License shall be issued to Kabetogama Outdoor Sports, LLC dba Kab Outdoors, Unorganized Township 56-16, located in Area 3, and in accordance with the St. Louis County Fee Schedule the annual fee is \$150.00; that said liquor license shall be effective through June 30, 2023; that said license is approved contingent upon payment of real estate taxes when due and township approval;

and further, that if the named license holder sells the licensed place of business, the County Board may, at its discretion and after an investigation, transfer the license to a new owner, but without prorated refund of license fee to the license holder. The motion passed; five yeas, zero nays, two absent (Jewell, McDonald). Resolution No. 22-418.

Commissioner Jugovich, supported by Commissioner Grimm, moved to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed; five yeas, zero nays, two absent (Jewell, McDonald).

Commissioner Grimm, supported by Commissioner Boyle, moved that the St. Louis County Board approves the use of \$1.6 million of American Rescue Act Plan funding to One Roof Community Housing the construction of 2 – 12-unit homeless housing units; that all construction and renovations shall be in compliance with local zoning regulations and state building code; that One Roof Community Housing shall comply and submit all necessary information, documentation and reporting materials required by the County, State or US Treasury to ensure that the project meets any and all conditions as required under the American Rescue Plan Act or the County; and further, that the project be payable from either Fund 239, American Rescue Plan Act, or if more appropriate, Fund 178, Agency 178008. Jeff Corey, Executive Director of One Roof Community Housing, said that he is willing to facilitate conversations with other communities. The motion passed; four yeas, one nay (Nelson), two absent (Jewell, McDonald). Resolution No. 22-419.

Commissioner Nelson, supported by Commissioner Jugovich, moved that the St. Louis County Board reappoints Tedd Ells as the St. Louis County Veterans Service Officer for a four-year period beginning July 30, 2022, and ending July 29, 2026, at his current biweekly compensation rate, with an increase to Grade 20, Step L1, effective his anniversary date on August 1, 2022, with all benefits at his current level and as provided in the St. Louis County Management Compensation Plan, payable from Fund 100, Agency 124001. Before entering upon these duties, Mr. Ells will take and subscribe to the oath required of public officials under Minn. Stat. §197.60, Subd. 5. [22-326]. Jim Gottschald, Director of Human Resources and Administration, commented that Director Ells was responsible for the relocation of the Duluth Veterans Service Office and has further developed relations with various organizations including the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW). Director Ells commented that he has been fortunate to have a strong team and he appreciates the support of Commissioners. The motion passed; five yeas, zero nays, two absent (Jewell, McDonald). Resolution No. 22-420.

St. Louis County Attorney Kim Maki administered the oath of office to Tedd Ells.

The following Board and contract files were created from documents received by this Board:

Kevin Gray, County Administrator, and James Foldesi, Public Works Director/Highway Engineer, submitting Board Letter No. 22-315, Acceptance of Highway Dedications on Del-Mar Acres and Country Acres Plats.—61757

Kevin Gray, County Administrator, and Ross Litman, Sheriff, submitting Board Letter No. 22-316, 2022 Minnesota Department of Health Coronavirus Testing Grant.—61758

Kevin Gray, County Administrator, and Ross Litman, Sheriff, submitting Board Letter No. 22-317, Title III Funds for Firewise Community Activities.—61759

Kevin Gray, County Administrator, and Nancy Nilsen, County Auditor/Treasurer, submitting Board Letter No. 22-328, Public Hearing to Consider Off-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License (Kabetogama Township).—61760

Kevin Gray, County Administrator, and Brian Fritsinger, Deputy Administrator, submitting Board Letter No. 22-323, One Roof Community Housing New Model Plover Place Housing Project, American Rescue Plan Act Funds.—61761

Kevin Gray, County Administrator, and James Gottschald, Human Resources and Administration Director, submitting Board Letter No. 22-326, County Veterans Service Officer Reappointment.—61762

Electronic mail from Jennifer and Gordon Gelo, Sandy Point Lodge, requesting information regarding financial assistance for property owners who experienced flood damage.—61763

Minutes of the Meeting dated July 14, 2022, to Elect the St. Louis County Representative for the Cloquet Area Fire District (CAFD) Board.—61764

Purchase of Service Agreement, Contract No. 17363, between St. Louis County and Range Transitional Housing, Virginia, MN, for Housing Emergency Funds and Assistance Accessing Housing during the period July 1, 2022, to February 29, 2024.—22-351

Purchase of Service Agreement, Contract No. 17398, between St. Louis County and Arrowhead Economic Opportunity Agency (AEOA), Virginia, MN, for Ongoing Housing and Housing Related Services during the period July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023.—22-352

Contract for County State Aid Highway (CSAH) Project between the County of St. Louis and KGM Contractors, Inc., Angora, MN, to Construct Bridge 69L03 (County Bridge 500) and Approaches over East Two River and Within the City Limits of Mountain Iron, MN (CP 0101-345499 BR 500, SP 069-701-007, BROS 6922(178)).—22-353

State of Minnesota Joint Powers Agreement, SWIFT Contract No. 213429, Minnesota Anti-Heroin Task Force Program, between the Commissioner of Public Safety and the St. Louis County Sheriff's Office.—22-354

Upon motion by Commissioner Jugovich, supported by Commissioner Grimm, resolutions numbered 22-393 through 22-417, as submitted on the consent agenda, were unanimously adopted as follows:

BY COMMISSIONER JUGOVICH:

RESOLVED, That the official proceedings of the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners for the meeting of July 14, 2022, are hereby approved.

Adopted July 26, 2022. No. 22-393

WHEREAS, Farm to School Programming aligns with several of the top priorities identified in the 2022 Joint Community Health Needs Assessment conducted by St. Louis County Public Health, Essentia Health, St. Luke's Hospital and community partners; and

WHEREAS, Essentia Health has made funds available to the Public Health and Human

Services (PHHS) department for the purposes of building upon and expanding the Farm to School presence within the Duluth School District for the period of June 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023; and

WHEREAS, PHHS has been awarded \$36,567 to embed Farm to School programming to offer the opportunity for students to learn healthy, active lifestyles and have greater access to healthy, local foods at schools; and

WHEREAS, Renee Willemsen has served as the Farm to School Coordinator through previous funding; and

WHEREAS, PHHS wishes to continue to contract with Renee Willemsen as a local coordinator for the amount up to \$36,567 to sustain programming for the period of June 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes PHHS to accept funds up to \$36,567 through a contract with Essentia Health for the purposes of building upon and expanding the Farm to School presence within the Duluth School District for the period of June 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023, to be accounted for in Fund 230, Agency 233999, Object 545158, Grant 23333, Grant Year 2022.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes PHHS to enter into a contract with Renee Willemsen to coordinate and sustain the Duluth Farm to School Program for the amount up to \$36,567 for the period of June 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023, to be accounted for in Fund 230, Agency 233999, Object 629900, Grant 23333, Grant Year 2022.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That in accordance with St. Louis County Purchasing Rules, Section III.C.6, contracting authority for this agreement is delegated to the Public Health and Human Services Director as no County levy dollars are expended.

Adopted July 26, 2022. No. 22-394

WHEREAS, State law requires parents, both custodial and non-custodial, to financially contribute to the child's cost of out-of-home placement; and

WHEREAS, State law requires some Medical Assistance (MA) recipients to contribute to the cost of their care, known as a spenddown; and

WHEREAS, There are times when the efforts of the Public Health and Human Services Department to collect required fees or spenddowns are unsuccessful; and

WHEREAS, County Board Policy states that accounts with an outstanding balance in excess of \$10,000 must be approved by the County Board.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the write-off of the following sixteen (16) accounts totaling \$283,988.45:

Customer Number	First Date of Debt	Amount	Comments	Type of Debt
C003605	11/29/11	\$11,702.88	OVER STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS	Foster Care
C006017	07/27/12	\$15,174.84	OVER STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS	Foster Care
C006927	03/11/14	\$17,199.76	OVER STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS	Foster Care
C006896	12/01/13	\$33,211.00	OVER STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS	Foster Care
C000212	01/31/04	\$14,977.00	DECEASED	Foster Care
C005949	11/13/14	\$11,542.00	OVER STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS	Foster Care
C003376	09/01/08	\$16,617.00	OVER STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS	Foster Care
C006858	01/29/14	\$13,194.72	OVER STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS	Foster Care
C005522	07/25/11	\$21,553.41	OVER STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS	Foster Care
C002049	08/29/12	\$10,427.00	OVER STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS	Foster Care
C005710	01/30/12	\$29,778.05	OVER STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS	Foster Care
C001798	08/21/08	\$13,659.83	OVER STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS	Foster Care
C003850	12/09/09	\$17,552.40	OVER STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS	Foster Care
C006910	02/25/14	\$22,468.40	OVER STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS	Foster Care
C006350	03/27/13	\$17,441.70	OVER STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS	Foster Care
C002987	07/11/07	\$17,488.46	OVER STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS	Foster Care
TOTAL		\$283,988.45		

WHEREAS, When a vacancy occurs in the Public Health and Human Services Department (PHHS) a review is done to determine if that position should be filled as is or if it should be reallocated to a level more aligned with the needs of the Department and the customers it serves; and

WHEREAS, PHHS and the Human Resources Department conducted such a review when an Information Specialist I position became vacant serving the north Assertive Community Treatment program as part of the Behavioral Health Division and determined that reallocation to a Social Services Specialist was appropriate; and

WHEREAS, County Fiscal Policies specify that any position change greater than three pay grades must go to the County Board for approval.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the reallocation of a 1.0 FTE Information Specialist I position (Position code 0411-016, Civil Service Basic Unit Pay Plan, Pay Grade B04) to a 1.0 FTE Social Services Specialist (Civil Service Basic Unit Pay Plan, Pay Grade B13) in the Public Health and Human Services Department, resulting in an increase of \$8,795 to be accounted for in Fund 230, Agency 230020, Object 610100.

Adopted July 26, 2022. No. 22-396

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Public Works Department plans to repair slide areas along a 2.30 mile segment of the Willow River Road (County State Aid Highway 74) in Unorganized Townships 63-21 and 64-21 and to replace the following three existing bridges on that highway segment:

- County Bridge 722 (State Bridge 88676) over an unnamed stream tributary to the Willow River
- County Bridge 743 (State Bridge 88677) over an unnamed stream tributary to the Willow River
- County Bridge 744 (State Bridge 88553) over an unnamed stream tributary to the Willow River

for CP 0074-235519; and

WHEREAS, These improvements consist of replacing the existing bridges with new bridges at the existing locations and reconstructing the roadway as determined necessary to provide for the safety and convenience of the public; and

WHEREAS, In addition to the existing highway right-of-way, certain lands are required for this construction, together with temporary construction easements.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the Public Works Director to proceed with the acquisition of the necessary lands and temporary easements for these projects, payable from Fund 200, Agency 203001.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 4, the St. Louis County Board hereby authorizes the County Auditor to grant the necessary easements for highway purposes over the following tax forfeited parcels:

- The Northeasterly 2-acre triangular shape of Government Lot 1, Section 5, Township 63 North, Range 21 West (Parcel ID No. 758-0010-00530)
- Government Lot 1, Section 5, Township 63 North, Range 21 West, EXCEPT the northeasterly 2 acres (Parcel ID No. 758-0010-00520)
- Government Lot 2, Section 5, Township 63 North, Range 21 West (Parcel ID No. 758-0010-00510)
- Government Lot 3, Section 5, Township 63 North, Range 21 West (Parcel ID No. 758-0010-00540).

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Public Works Department plans to reconstruct the existing sheet pile weir structure located on an outlet of Caribou Lake into an unnamed stream flowing to Fish Lake in Grand Lake Township (CP 0884-674614); and

WHEREAS, This improvement consists of replacing the existing sheet pile weir structure with a new outlet control structure at the existing location and restoring the adjoining area as determined necessary; and

WHEREAS, Certain lands are required for this construction and for future access, together with temporary construction easements.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the acquisition of the necessary land and temporary easements for this project payable from Fund 200, Agency 203001.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the State of Minnesota Department of Natural Resources is requested to provide St. Louis County with easement across the following State of Minnesota land located adjacent to the project site in Grand Lake Township:

Lots 1 to 9 inclusive, Block 1, All in Caribou Lake Tracts, according to the plat thereof, on file in the office of the Registrar of Titles, in and for the County of St. Louis, State of Minnesota. (Parcel ID No. 380-0050-00010)

Adopted July 26, 2022. No. 22-398

WHEREAS, Hibbing Taconite Company is working on a project to expand a mine tailings basin; and

WHEREAS, It is anticipated that the material needed for this project will be hauled to the project site utilizing County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 79 and County Road (CR) 710 (Kleffman Road) as a haul route; and

WHEREAS, The hauling activity is expected to result in some roadway deterioration that will require continuous maintenance; and

WHEREAS, Hibbing Taconite Company has agreed to provide roadway maintenance services on CSAH 79 and CR 710 to keep the roadways in good condition for the public.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes a haul route agreement with Hibbing Taconite Company and approve any amendments approved by the County Attorney's Office.

Adopted July 26, 2022. No. 22-399

WHEREAS, St. Louis County owns property adjacent to a segment of County State Aid Highway 4/Rice Lake Road, which is being improved with a new Chester Creek crossing structure and other improvements in the City of Duluth (CP 0004-401087, SAP 069-604-085); and

WHEREAS, In addition to the existing highway right-of-way, it is necessary to dedicate to the public permanent highway easements and temporary construction easements over county fee-owned land to allow the construction of this project.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That pursuant to Minn. Stat. §163.11, the St. Louis County Board hereby dedicates to the public permanent highway easement and temporary construction easement over the following tract of land:

Parcel 1 – that Part of the Northwest Quarter (NW ¼) of Section 16, Township 50 North of Range 16 West of the Fourth Principal Meridian identified as Parcel Identification Number 010-2710-03940.

Adopted July 26, 2022. No. 22-400

WHEREAS, St. Louis County Public Works was awarded a grant from the Department of the Army for the construction of green infrastructure serving Woodland Avenue stormwater and the St. Louis County Board voted November 16, 2021, to accept the grant for \$600,000 and provide to provide a 25% match; and

WHEREAS, The City of Duluth has offered to provide land in the northeast corner of Hartley Park for construction of green infrastructure and be responsible for the long-term operation and maintenance of the infrastructure located on City of Duluth property; and

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Public Works Department is in process of negotiating a related cooperative agreement with the City of Duluth; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County and the City of Duluth are both required by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency to have a general permit authorizing discharge from municipal separate stormwater sewer systems to reduce levels of bacteria in Tischer Creek, which is listed as an impaired stream based on water quality monitoring; and

WHEREAS, The Public Works Department has identified the need to secure an engineering consultant to assist with implementing the project; and

WHEREAS, The Public Works Department has selected Bolon & Menk to provide the preliminary planning, environmental and design engineering services for the project.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes a professional services agreement, and any amendments authorized by the County Attorney, with Bolton & Menk to perform preliminary planning, ecological and engineering design and other services for the Woodland Avenue green infrastructure stormwater treatment system to be located in the City of Duluth (CP 0009-689681) with the total cost of these services, not-to-exceed \$160,000, payable from Fund 220, Agency 220708, Object 626600.

Adopted July 26, 2022. No. 22-401

RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes a cooperative agreement, and any amendments approved by the County Attorney, with the City of Duluth to implement a joint project to treat stormwater from Woodland Avenue to improve water quality, reduce flashiness of Tischer Creek and recharge wetlands by constructing new green infrastructure (CP 0009-689681) with funds for this project accounted for in Fund 220, Agency 220708.

Adopted July 26, 2022. No. 22-402

WHEREAS, On March 11, 2021, the President of the United States signed into law the \$1.9 trillion American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) to provide continued relief from the impact of COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Approximately \$350 billion of the ARPA funding was allotted to assist state, local tribal, and territory governments in responding to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Funds received are required to be used in accordance with the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (CLFRF) requirements as provided within the guidance issued by the United States Treasury:

- To respond to the public health emergency
- Top address its negative economic impacts
- To serve the hardest hit
- To make necessary investments in water. sewer, or broadband infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County has been awarded \$54,536,596 in ARPA funds to be used in accordance with the above requirements; and

WHEREAS, Greenwood Township submitted an application and documentation seeking funding assistance from the County's ARPA funds to install a filtration system to remove arsenic and manganese from the public water supply.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That after an initial review of the Project Eligibility form and other submitted materials, the drinking water project proposed by Greenwood Township is eligible under the following categories of the US Treasury Final Rule guidance:

- The clean water component of the EPA's Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF).
- The clean water component of the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF).

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board approves the use of \$8,403.20 of American Rescue Act Plan funding to the Township for the installation of a filtration system to remove arsenic and manganese from the public water supply.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Township shall comply and submit all necessary information, documentation and reporting materials required by the County, State or US Treasury to ensure that the project meets any and all conditions as required under the American Rescue Plan Act.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That should it be possible to utilize funding sources that don't require the Township to be considered a sub-recipient, the Board authorizes staff to do so.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the above project be payable from Fund 239, American Rescue Plan Act Funds or if more appropriate, Fund 178, Agency 178008.

Adopted July 26, 2022. No. 22-403

RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the applications for abatement, correction of assessed valuations and taxes plus penalty and interest, and any additional accrual, identified in County Board File No. 61635.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 375.192, Subd. 2, the County Auditor is hereby directed to provide 20 days' notice to the school board and municipality of the pending abatement.

Adopted July 26, 2022. No. 22-404

RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the applications for cancellation of forfeiture, identified in County Board File No. 61638.

Adopted July 26, 2022. No. 22-405

WHEREAS, Public Works is in the process of breaking ground on the build out of three new facilities located in Culver Township, Kugler Township and Makinen which will require network connectivity for the purposes of phone, internet, and application access; and

WHEREAS, The Information Technology Department worked closely with long term strategic fiber-based data services vendor Northeast Services Cooperative (NESC) to find the best way to connect these three locations to the existing St. Louis County NESC provided fiber backbone; and

WHEREAS, Consolidated Telephone Company (CTC), headquartered in Brainerd, MN, was identified as a strategic partner recommended to perform the build out of fiber to the three new Public Works facilities; and

WHEREAS, CTC has made a commitment to St. Louis County that the work performed during the build out will utilize prevailing wage(s); and

WHEREAS, The estimated total one-time fiber installation costs will be \$536,000 and monthly recurring broadband services broken down as follows:

Description	Monthly Recurring	
Kugler Township	\$ 750	
Culver Township	\$ 750	
Unorganized Township 56-14	\$1,250	
Total Monthly Recurring:	\$2,750	

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorize the Information Technology Department, in coordination with the Public Works Department, to purchase fiber-based network services at the three new public works facilities to include both one time fiber build out costs in the amount of \$536,000 paid from Fund 239 (American Rescue Plan Act Revenue Replacement Funds) and monthly recurring costs totaling \$2,750 for a 5-year term payable via Fund 100, Agency 117001.

Adopted July 26, 2022. No. 22-406

WHEREAS, The St Louis County Heritage & Arts Center (Depot) is in need of significant capital repairs; and

WHEREAS, State of Minnesota bond funding of \$1.5 million was received in the November 2020 legislative special session for Depot capital improvements; and

WHEREAS, The County is proceeding with prioritized Depot repairs and improvements utilizing the 2020 State bonding funds; and

WHEREAS, The canopy roof is in poor condition, has been repaired multiple times over its lifecycle, and now requires a significant overhaul to improve the functionality and extend the life of this historic structure; and

WHEREAS, Planned improvements will also enhance the main entrance to the Depot Great Hall and provide a drop-off area for visitors; and

WHEREAS, County Purchasing solicited bids on two occasions: Solicitation #1000004, opened on May 19, 2022, and resulted in no bids; and Solicitation #1000004 R1, opened on June 22, 2022, and resulted in a sole bid by Johnson-Wilson Constructors of Duluth, MN, for \$738,800.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board accepts the bid from Johnson-Wilson Constructors Construction of Duluth, MN, for \$738,800 for Depot canopy roof improvements and authorizes the appropriate County officials to enter into and execute any funding agreement(s) and associated documents as necessary with funds available from Fund 400, Agency 400024, to be reimbursed by state bond proceeds approved in the November 2020 legislative session.

Adopted July 26, 2022. No. 22-407

WHEREAS, On March 11, 2021, the President of the United States signed into law the \$1.9 trillion American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) to provide continued relief from the impact of COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Approximately \$350 billion of the ARPA funding was allotted to assist state, local, tribal, and territory governments in responding to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Funds received are required to be used in accordance with the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (CLFRF) requirements as provided within the guidance issued by the United States Treasury:

- To respond to the public health emergency
- Top address its negative economic impacts
- To serve the hardest hit
- To make necessary investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County has been awarded \$54,536,596 in ARPA funds to be used in accordance with the above requirements; and

WHEREAS, The County Board has allocated up to \$900,000 of ARPA funds to be used for youth recreation projects; and

WHEREAS, The Chester Bowl Improvement Club (CBIC) has identified a project as part of the Chester Bowl Park area that will provide recreation opportunities for youth and adults impacted by the pandemic; and

WHEREAS, The CBIC has submitted documentation seeking funding assistance in the amount of \$125,000 from the County's ARPA funds to support its bridge and Chalet construction and renovation project; and

WHEREAS, The underlying property and Chester Bowl Park area is owned by the City of Duluth; and

WHEREAS, The City has indicated that if the County were to authorize funding for Capital Improvements at this location, and if after additional analysis it was determined the project should be managed by the City, the City would accept these funds on behalf of the CBIC.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That after an initial review of the Project Eligibility form, application and other submitted materials, the project proposed has been determined to be eligible as it is an enumerated use within a disproportionately impacted community by the pandemic.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board approves the use of \$125,000 of American Rescue Act Plan funding to assist with the construction of the Chalet project.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the City of Duluth and/or CBIC shall comply and submit all necessary information, documentation and reporting materials required by the County, State or US Treasury to ensure that the project meets any and all conditions as required under the American Rescue Plan Act.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the appropriate County officials to enter into and execute any funding agreement(s) and associated documents with the City of Duluth and/or CBIC as necessary to administer the program and comply with the American Rescue Plan Act.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the above project be payable from Fund 239, American Rescue Plan Act or, if more appropriate, from Fund 178, Agency 178008.

Adopted July 26, 2022. No. 22-408

RESOLVED, That pursuant to the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 340A, as amended, and Rules and Regulations adopted by this Board under St. Louis County Ordinance No. 28, dated May 22, 1978, as amended, the following application for a Temporary On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License is hereby approved, on file in the office of the County Auditor, identified as County Board File No. 61636:

Babbitt Lions Club, Embarrass Township, Temporary On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License, for the dates of August 26 - 28, 2022, new.

Adopted July 26, 2022. No. 22-409

RESOLVED, That pursuant to Ordinance No. 28, Section 11, Subdivision 11.06 authorization is hereby granted to Melrude Whistle Stop LLC dba Melrude Whistle Stop to sell/serve outside the designated serving area of the County Liquor License for the dates of September 2-5, 2022, as per application on file in the office of the County Auditor, identified as County Board File No. 61729.

Adopted July 26, 2022. No. 22-410

RESOLVED, That pursuant to Ordinance No. 28, Section 11, Subdivision 11.06

authorization is hereby granted to Authentic Property Investments, LLC dba Eagle's Nest Resort, Fredenberg Township, to sell/serve outside the designated serving area of the County Liquor License for the date of August 25, 2022, as per application on file in the office of the County Auditor, identified as County Board File No. 61636.

Adopted July 26, 2022. No. 22-411

WHEREAS, On July 29, 1982, the Del-Mar Acres Plat was filed and recorded in the Office of the St. Louis County Recorder bearing Document Number 347774; and

WHEREAS, Contained within the Del-Mar Acres Plat is an area "donated and dedicated to the public for public use forever the Highway as shown on the plat"; and

WHEREAS, On August 27, 1982, the Country Acres Plat was filed and recorded in the Office of the St. Louis County Recorder bearing Document Number 349068; and

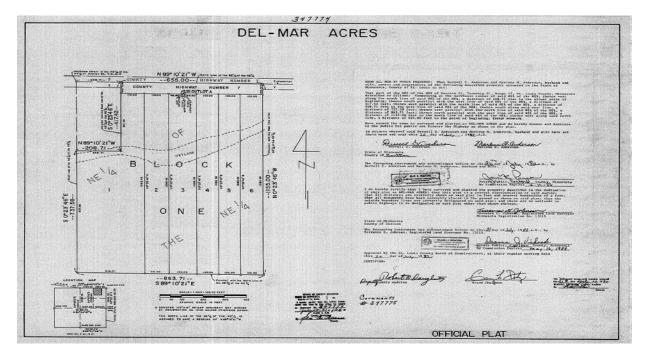
WHEREAS, Contained within the Country Acres Plat is an area of Lavaque Road (a/k/a County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 48) dedicated to the public for use as a street; and

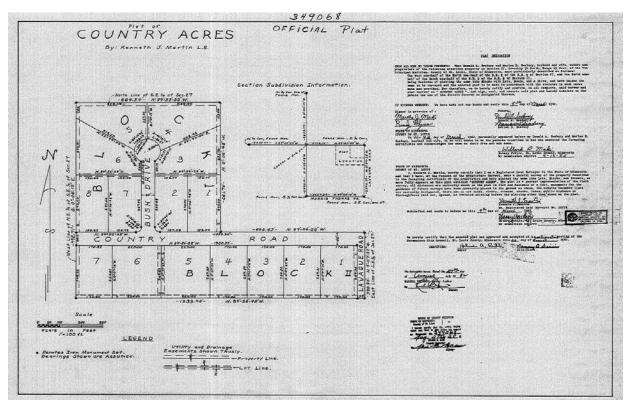
WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 541.023 and the recent Minnesota Court of Appeals decision in *In the Matter of the Application of Timothy D. Moratzka*, 974 N.W.2d 266 (Minn. App. 2022) require governmental entities to accept and record "a notice sworn to by the claimant or the claimant's agent or attorney" identifying the interest, the transaction upon which the interest is founded, and a description of the property; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County desires to permanently retain the rights conveyed by the Del-Mar Acres Plat dedication and the Country Acres Plat dedication.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board officially accepts, on behalf of St. Louis County, the public highway dedications contained in the 1982 Del-Mar Acres Plat bearing Document Number 347774, and the Country Acres Plat bearing Document Number 349068, copies of which are attached to this resolution.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes appropriate County staff and legal counsel to take all necessary steps to effect recording of the County's acceptance of these dedications within the Office of the County Recorder no later than July 28, 2022, and August 27, 2022, respectively, including, but not limited to, filing a notice sworn to by the County, through its designated agent or attorney, identifying the public interests granted in the subject Plats, the transactions upon which the original public dedications are founded, and a description of the property and public rights-of-way expressly preserved by the County's acceptance.





Adopted July 26, 2022. No. 22-412

WHEREAS, In June of 2022, the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), in partnership with the Department of Justice, has provided financial assistance to respond to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) in confinement facilities; and

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Jail will use the allocated funds to support ongoing COVID-19 testing, including collection supplies, test kits, courier services and other necessary supplies; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County was allocated \$35,034.91.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the application and acceptance of the 2022 Minnesota Department of Health Coronavirus Testing Grant in the amount of \$35,034.91 to support on-going COVID-19 testing in the St. Louis County Jail.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the appropriate county officials are authorized to execute the required agreements, to be accounted for in Fund 100, Agency 137999, Grant 13704.

Adopted July 26, 2022. No. 22-413

WHEREAS, The U.S. Forest Service has made available Title III funding for St. Louis County to carry out Firewise Community activities; and

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Sheriff's Office will enhance its preparation for wildland fires and emergency response as a result of this funding.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the Sheriff's Office to use Title III funding for authorized Firewise Community activities in the amount of \$42,884.73, to be accounted for in Fund 100, Agency 135999, Grant 13503, Year 2022.

Adopted July 26, 2022. No. 22-414

WHEREAS, The City of Chisholm has requested to purchase the following described state

tax-forfeited land for the price of \$4,400 for the purpose of economic development:

Legal: Lot 8, Block 13, CHISHOLM

Parcel Code: 020-0010-03490

LDKey: 125424; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.01, subd. 1a.(b), allows for non-conservation tax-forfeited lands to be sold by the county board, for their market value as determined by the county board, to an organized or incorporated governmental subdivision of the state for any public purpose for which the subdivision is authorized to acquire property; and

WHEREAS, This parcel of land has been classified as non-conservation land pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 282.01; and

WHEREAS, This parcel of land has not been withdrawn from sale pursuant to Minn. Stat. §§ 85.012, 92.461, 282.01, subd. 8, and 282.018, or other statutes that require the withholding of state tax-forfeited lands from sale.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the sale of state tax-forfeited land, as described, to the City of Chisholm for the price of \$4,400 plus the following fees: 3% assurance fee of \$132, deed fee of \$25, deed tax of \$14.52, and recording fee of \$46, for a total of \$4,617.52, to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Auditor may offer for sale at public auction the state tax-forfeited land described here if the City of Chisholm does not purchase the land by January 26, 2023.

Adopted July 26, 2022. No. 22-415

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.241 provides that state tax-forfeited land may be repurchased by the owner at the time of forfeiture, or the owner's heirs, devisees, or representatives, subject to payment of delinquent taxes and assessments, with penalties, interest, and maintenance costs; and

WHEREAS, The applicant, Charlene Marie Paschke of Hibbing, MN, Trustee of The Jean B. Passino Revocable Trust Agreement dated October 22, 1992, has applied to repurchase state tax-forfeited land legally described as:

CITY OF HIBBING

Lot 21 and S 1/2 of Lot 22, Block 39, FIRST ADDITION TO BROOKLYN

Parcel code: 140-0060-02690; and

WHEREAS, The applicant is the successor-trustee and representative of the record owner of the property at the time of forfeiture, and is thus eligible to repurchase the property; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.302, subd. 1, provides that the deed must be issued to the record owner of the property at the time of the expiration of the redemption period established under § 281.23, which was Jean B. Passino, Trustee of Revocable Trust Agreement Dated October 22, 1992, Between Jean B. Passino, Trustor, and Jean B. Passino; and

WHEREAS, Resolution of any outstanding county or municipal code violations will become a condition of the repurchase; and

WHEREAS, The applicant shall either (a) pay in full all amounts due and owing under Minn. Stat. § 282.241; or (b) enter into a four-year contract for deed, satisfying same, to repurchase the non-homestead property; and

WHEREAS, Approving the repurchase will promote the use of lands that will best serve the public interest

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the repurchase application of Charlene Marie Paschke of Hibbing, MN, Trustee of The Jean B. Passino Revocable Trust Agreement dated October 22, 1992, on file in County Board File No. 61662, subject to payments including total taxes and assessments of \$6,718.57, deed fee of \$25, deed tax of \$22.17, recording fee of \$46, and maintenance costs of \$3,693.50, for a total of \$10,505.24 to be deposited into Fund 240 (Tax-Forfeited Land Fund), plus a service fee of \$500 to be deposited into Fund 100 (General Fund), and further subject to any other conditions discussed herein.

WHEREAS, The Regional Landfill (Landfill) is the only mixed municipal solid waste "MSW" landfill in northeastern Minnesota, providing MSW disposal to the County's Solid Waste Management Area; and

WHEREAS, Landfill capacity is projected to last another twenty-two years based on current fill rates and potentially an additional fifty years based on Landfill expansion options currently being evaluated; and

WHEREAS, Approximately 5.5 million gallons of leachate from the Regional Landfill is collected, pumped and stored annually in two HDPE-lined ponds where it is aerated, denitrified and land applied on a 60 acre sprayfield; and

WHEREAS, The Landfill's Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA)-issued permit requires the Department conduct extensive surface and groundwater monitoring to ensure the leachate treatment system performs as intended, allowing the continuation of land application of leachate as the County's preferred leachate treatment option versus transport to a wastewater treatment facility; and

WHEREAS, In recent years, the MPCA (and the Environmental Protection Agency) identified Per-and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) as an emerging water contaminant of interest resulting in landfill leachate coming under increased scrutiny and management requirements due to an increased presence of PFAS; and

WHEREAS, Conclusions from research, including a pilot project conducted at the Landfill in 2021 by Northeast Technical Services, Inc. (NTS) using an engineered Wetland Treatment System (WTS) to reduce landfill leachate PFAS concentrations, concluded that greater than 50% overall PFAS concentration was removed; and

WHEREAS, The results from the project prompted the Department to submit a proposal to the Legislative-Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources (LCCMR) for a Fiscal Year 2022 Minnesota Environmental & Natural Resources Trust Fund grant to fund a three-year demonstration project focused on development, implementation, and evaluation of a semi-passive, demonstration-scale engineered wetland treatment system with integrated outflow-filtration for reducing PFAS and other Landfill leachate contaminants of interest; and

WHEREAS, On June 3, 2022, the LCCMR notified the Department it was awarded \$446,000 in grant funds; and

WHEREAS, The Department, under Minn. Stat. Chapter 400, subd. 4, which grants the county authority to negotiate for solid waste related services, requested and received a detailed proposal from NTS to provide environmental engineering, monitoring, and project management services for the grant funded project; and

WHEREAS, The Department has evaluated the proposal and negotiated a three-year agreement ending December 31, 2025, in the amount of \$375,780 which the Department finds fair and justified.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the appropriate County Officials to enter into an agreement with Northeast Technical Services, Inc. (NTS) of Virginia, MN, ending December 31, 2025, for \$375,780 to provide environmental engineering, monitoring, and project management services for the Regional Landfill Leachate PFAS Reduction Demonstration Project, payable from Fund 600, Agency 607999, Object 530820, Grant 60701, Grant Year 2022.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That funding for this project was provided by the Minnesota Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund as recommended by the Legislative-Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources (LCCMR).

Adopted July 26, 2022. No. 22-417

BY COMMISSIONER NELSON:

WHEREAS, Kabetogama Outdoors Sports, LLC dba Kab Outdoors, Kabetogama Township, St. Louis County, Minnesota, has applied for an Off-Sale Intoxicating Liquor – Exclusive Liquor Store license; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 340A.405, Subd. 2(d), requires that a public hearing be held prior to the issuance of an Off-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License; and

WHEREAS, A public hearing was held on July 26, 2022, at 9:40 a.m., in the Rice Lake City Hall, 4107 Beyer Road, Rice Lake, MN, for the purpose of considering the granting of the Off-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License; and

WHEREAS, With regard to the application for said license, Kabetogama Outdoors Sports, LLC has complied in all respects with the requirements of Minnesota Law and St. Louis County Ordinance No. 28; and

WHEREAS, The Liquor Licensing Committee of the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners has considered the nature of the business to be conducted and the propriety of the location and has recommended approval of the application.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That an Off-Sale Intoxicating Liquor – Exclusive Liquor License shall be issued to Kabetogama Outdoors Sports, LLC dba Kab Outdoors, Kabetogama Township, located in Area 3, and in accordance with the St. Louis County Fee Schedule the annual fee is \$500.00.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That said liquor license shall be effective through June 30, 2023. RESOLVED FURTHER, That said license is approved contingent upon payment of real estate taxes when due.

RESOLVED FURTHERS, That said license is approved contingent upon Kabetogama Township approval.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That if the named license holder sells the licensed place of business, the County Board may, at its discretion and after an investigation, transfer the license to a new owner, but without pro-rated refund of license fee to the license holder.

Unanimously adopted July 26, 2022. No. 22-418

BY COMMISSIONER GRIMM:

WHEREAS, On March 11, 2021, the President of the United States signed into law the \$1.9 Trillion American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) to provide continued relief from the impact of COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Approximately \$350 billion of the ARPA funding was allotted to assist state, local tribal, and territory governments in responding to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Funds received are required to be used in accordance with the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (CLFRF) requirements as provided within the guidance issued by the United States Treasury:

- To respond to the public health emergency
- Top address its negative economic impacts
- To serve the hardest hit
- To make necessary investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County has been awarded \$54,536,596 in ARPA funds to be used in accordance with the above requirements; and

WHEREAS, One Roof Community Housing has addressed homeless needs in St. Louis County since 2012; and

WHEREAS, The COVID-19 pandemic and its lingering effects has put additional stresses on both family units and individuals; and

WHEREAS, One Roof submitted documentation seeking funding assistance from the County's ARPA funds to develop up to 2 – 12-unit housing buildings; and

WHEREAS, At the request of St. Louis County, the City of Duluth on June 27, 2022, considered and approved the provision of \$1.6 million of its American Rescue Plan Act matching funds for the proposed project.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That after the review of the Project Eligibility form, application and other submitted materials, the New Model Plover Place homeless housing project proposed by One Roof is eligible under the following categories of the US Treasury Final Rule guidance:

• The project would provide services to disproportionately impacted communities as defined under Housing Support: Services for Unhoused Persons.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board approves the use of \$1.6 million of American Rescue Act Plan funding to One Roof Community Housing the construction of 2-12-unit homeless housing units.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That all construction and renovations shall be in compliance with local zoning regulations and state building code.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That One Roof shall comply and submit all necessary information, documentation and reporting materials required by the County, State or US Treasury to ensure that the project meets any and all conditions as required under the American Rescue Plan Act or the County.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the above project be payable from either Fund 239, American Rescue Plan Act or if more appropriate, Fund 178, Agency 178008.

Yeas: Commissioners Grimm, Musolf, Jugovich and Vice-Chair Boyle – 4

Nays: Commissioner Nelson – 1

Absent: Commissioners Jewell and Chair McDonald – 2

Adopted July 26, 2022. No. 22-419

BY COMMISSIONER NELSON:

RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board reappoints Tedd Ells as the St. Louis County Veterans Service Officer for a four-year period beginning July 30, 2022, and ending July 29, 2026, at his current biweekly compensation rate, with an increase to Grade 20, Step L1, effective his anniversary date on August 1, 2022, with all benefits at his current level and as provided in the St. Louis County Management Compensation Plan, payable from Fund 100, Agency 124001.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That before entering upon these duties, Mr. Ells will take and subscribe to the oath required of public officials under Minn. Stat. § 197.60, Subd. 5.

Unanimously adopted July 26, 2022. No. 22-420

At 11:00 a.m., July 26, 2022, Commissioner Musolf, supported by Commissioner Jugovich, moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed; five yeas, zero nays, two absent (Jewell, McDonald).

Paul McDonald, Chair of the Board of County Commissioners

Attest:

Nancy Nilsen, County Auditor and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners

(Seal of the County Auditor)